## Ignatius Donnelly, the Journal's Special Correspondent, Says the People's Party Is Passing Through a Grave Crisis.

St. Louis, July 22.

To W. R. Hearst, New York Journal:

The convention met to-day in red-hot, sizzling weather, and the temper of the delegates seemed to approximate the same condition. The convention is an extraordinary gathering of able and zealous men. There are many gray-headed personages among them, and comparatively few

The great ordeal through which the country is passing has called to the front the best men from every locality. They are men who listen attentively and think deeply. They cannot be carried off their feet by any appeals to passion or excitement.

The delegates to the convention were rather slow in getting together. This was partially due, it is said, to the heated discussions at the hotels and the efforts on the part of the leaders to harmonize.

The selection of Marion Butler for temporary chairman was a very happy one. Senator Butler is but thirty-two years of age. He has risen from the ranks, a farmer's boy and a school teacher. He has exhibited great keenness and intelligence and knowledge of men. The hatred between the Republicans and Populists of North Carolina (and the Populists are nearly all Democrats) is most intense and bitter, accentuated by all the memories of the civil war, and yet Mr. Butler was able to persuade his Populistic followers to form a combination with the Republicans of North Carolina which swept the State and landed him in the United States Senate with a Republican colleague.

This startling result proved generalship of a high order. In the United States Senate he has taken a most conspicuous part, a radical part, while his measures have been so just and reasonable that he has carried the people of North Carolina along with him. He seems to possess the good judgment of age, with the fire and energy of youth. His speech of acceptance was a very diplomatic piece of business. He dealt in generalizations, which looked in the direction of the nomination of Bryan, and yet those who differed from him were unable to rally any considerable force to displace him from his position.

There is a great ferment and turmoil in the convention, and many conflicting claims are made. On the one hand, friends of Mr. Bryan still claim that they will be able to nominate him, while the middle-ofthe-road men, who are in favor of putting up a straight ticket, insist that they have a majority of more than two hundred for their policy.

There are whispers this afternoon that the Bryan men have given up the contest, and that Senator Jones, as one gentleman expressed it, "has called off the dogs of war." Nothing can decide these conflicting claims but the vote in the convention. If the convention nominates Mr. Bryan, it is claimed that a large part of the Southern delegations will

This afternoon, after the adjournment of the convention at 2:15, an impromptu meeting was gotten up in the convention hall, and I understand it was there stated that the Texas delegation, 105 strong, would bolt if Mr. Bryan were nominated, and there is talk of some other Southern delegations following.

If this were done it would disrupt the People's party and make it very difficult for us ever to call our friends together again. It would produce such a feeling of bitter hostility against the Democrats, who amen been trying to force Ervan upon our ticket, that it would probably prevent any co-operation hereafter in the States on joint electoral

I feel that the People's party of the United States is in more danger to-day than it has been at any time since its formation.

The Platform Committee will not be appointed until after the report of the Committee on Credentials. There has been some talk of trimming the platform by omitting some of its distinctive features for the purpose of placating Mr. Bryan and some of his supporters, but I think the sentiment of the convention is overwhelmingly against any such

The remonetization of silver is a great issue, because we believe that the reduction of the metallic money of the world by the sinking down of silver has doubled the purchasing power of gold, and this is expressed by the reduction of the values of all commodities and all products of human industry.

We observe, for instance, that on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande the prices of agricultural produce are double what they are in the Mississippi Valley, and we believe that if silver were restored and the metallic base of money widened there would be a corresponding rise in prices in the United States. While it is true that this might put up the price of the workingman's bread and meat by giving higher prices to farmers, yet the increased prosperity of farmers would produce a corresponding increase of prosperity for the working people.

Now, there is no market for goods of the East in the West and South, because the farmers of those regions are too poor to buy these goods. They are covered with debts, mortgages, taxes, transportation combines, trusts and everything else that eats up their substance. If to-morrow the farmers in the West and South were out of debt and each had \$1,000 in the bank, that money would, within thirty days, be in the pockets of the workingmen of the country. Now the farmer's wife and children are in rags, because he is unable to buy clothing for them. They are wearing their old hats and patched shoes, economizing on their grocery bills, and many of them actually getting down to the condition of Russian peasants, who are said to spend not more than 49 cents in cash for their living expenses, supplying everything for their own lands.

This produces a torpid, listless population, and arrests all development and growth. We must do our best to insure the prosperity of the whole people. There is nothing more peaceable or more easily managed than a happy and contented population. You can control them with a smile and a little finger, but you can take the same population and reduce them to such wretchedness that they will be flends incarnate.

It is a work of statesmanship to recognize the necessities of humanity, and not to put too great a strain upon that portion of our population whose broad shoulders sustain the great fabric of society. Prudence dictates this course, and humanity and justice insist upon it.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY.

Brynn and Sewall's indorsement.

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Chairmanship, He took the convention from Butler is a strong anti-fusionist. So much was evident. He was negligee as to hair and shirt, but his discourse had been carefully loved out. He made great hits with forward in the rest in economic affairs were W. H. Harvey, who is giving the readers of the New York Journal his impressions of the convention. Hence D. Lived artists all the Southern and Salies of the convention. Hence D. Lived artists all the Southern and Salies of the convention. This would satisfy all the Southern and Salies of the convention. This would satisfy all the Southern and Salies of the convention and salies of the convention. The salies in which would be a political play of wisdom.

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Wealth of the Republican Money Raising Committee Which Will Try to Carry Illinois for the Mark Hanna

Syndicate.

Chicago, Ill., July 22.—The following is a list of the Republican Money Raising Committee for Illinois, appointed yesterday by T. N. Jamieson, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, to further McKinley's campaign in this State:

Name.	Occupation.	Wealth.
S. W. ALLERTON	Packer	\$5,000,000
P. D. ARMOUR, JR	Packer	\$5,000,000
	Banker	
	Distiller	
	Merchant,	
	Merchant	
	Manufacturer	
	Banker	
	Real Estate	
	Manufacturer	
	Manufacturer	
	Manufacturer	
	Merchant	
JAMES DEERING	Merchant	\$1,000,000
	Merchant	
L. F. FISHER	Manufacturer	\$1,000,000
MILTON KIRK	Manufacturer	\$1,000,000
	Manufacturer	
	Capitalist	
EDSON G. KEITH	Banker	\$1,000,000
HEMPSTEAD WASHBURNE	Attorney	\$750,000
W. D. BOYCE	Publisher	\$600,000
GEORGE SCHNEIDER	Banker	\$500,000
A. A. SPRAGUE	Merchant	\$500,000
GRAEME STEWART	Capitalist	\$500,000
GEORGE B. SWIFT	Mayor	\$500,000
JOHN W. BUNN	Capitalist	\$500,000
J. W. GATES	Manufacturer	\$500,000
M. B. MADDEN	Stone Quarry	\$500,000
A. H. REVELL	Merchant	\$500,000
J. H. GILBERT	Banker	\$500,000
GEORGE E. ADAMS	Capitalist	\$500,000
CHARLES COUNSELMAN	Elevators	\$500,000
ARTHUR DIXON	Contractor	\$400,000
E. S. CONWAY	Capitalist	\$300,000
JOHN FARSON	Broker	\$250,000
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W. L. BROWN,	C. B. SCOVILLE,	
W. P. WILLIAMS,	A. NATHASE,	
E. C. DEWAITT,	DAVID KELLY,	
J. H. STRONG,	C. J. BARNES,	
W. A. MASON,	P. E. WERNER,	
J. L. FULTON,	C. H. PLAUTZ,	
D. V. PURINGTON,	GILBERT SHAW,	
W. H. HARPER,	S. B. RAYMOND,	
L. J. SMITH,	H. A. HAUGAN,	
W. PORTER,	JACOB NEWMAN,	
C. G. DAWES,	H. WEINHARDT,	
J. H. BRADLEY,	FRED BLOUNT,	
N. W. HARRIS,	C. P. HITCH,	
A. M'NALLY,	J. F. ALDRICH,	
A. G. BECKER,	H. B. STEELE,	
ERNEST FECKER,	J. W. BROOKS,	
JAMES PETERS,	NORTON BROTHERS,	
H. W. LEMEN,	JOSEPH DOWNEY	
H. W. KING,	J. BEIDLER,	
C. DURAND,	J. SPALDING,	
E. MORRIS,	E. B. BUTLER,	
B. A. ECKHART,	E. G. HALLE,	

L. M'WILLIAMS, O. F. FULLER, JOHN LAMBERT, JOLIET, J. BEIFELDT. J. M. CLARK, R. W. PATTERSON, G. GARNETT. J. W. MORRIS, JOHN C. SPRY, MORRIS SELZ, J. B. SHERMAN, W. H. ALSIP, J. A. SEXTON, G. W. KRETZINGER, E. A. POTTER, G. BIRKOFF, JR., C. HOTZ, LEVY B. DOUD, J. P. MALETTE, A. C. M'CLURG

W. PENN NIXON,

"If this convention will not follow its own | men, of whom the great majority are sinteachers it is not fit to represent the party. cere in their professions of belief. "It is our duty to indorse what is right

and condemn what it wrong." He counselled against splits, bolts or ions of organized capital and gold monopolles in the gray November days.

F. G. LOGAN.

The Populists are no more prompt in getsouri, made a carefully prepared welcome address ,and the Minnesota philosopher. Ignatius Donnelly, made an equally careful

Few Visitors Present.

The attendance of spectators was small.

The delegates' chairs were filled, but the jobbles and gallerles were almost empty. Five hundred persons is a liberni count for those present. Many of the delegates are women, and the brief array of spectars was not it is almost a fatal one, is an entirety. It will be Bryan and some Southern man. Probably matters may so shape thems: even the straight-out men can unite upon.

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Baseball, Field Games and Minstrel Show for Contrary to published reports, there tors was principally composed of women,

Cheered the Speech.

Is raid told them they had nothing to fear from him. It was even so. Butler's opening address was an argument for a separate ticket, and yet it was so shrewdly constructed that he will have little to do in the way of explanation in the event of the way is not save the issue and not permit it to go nown and saint for an address criticising Governor Altagellar for Botes's criticising Governor Altagellar for Bryan and against Sewall, or for any ticket the convention might put up. Mr. Again he stopped for cheers after saying:

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Working Hard for Bryan.

EDMUND NORTON.

The leaders of the Bryan-Sewall indorsing movement have not such abundant Populistic ticket will be Bryan and Sewwalkouts, and predicted evil days to mill. confidence as yesterday and the day be- all." fore. Several reports were circulated to the effect that Governor Stone and Chair-man Jones, of the National Democratic Western States fear they cannot elect their Committee had abandoned the attempt to township officers on any other basis than a ting together than the Republicans or the Democrats. The hour of noon, the time for opening, had come and gone more than a half hour before the Rev. R. L. Smith offered a prayer. Governor Stone, of Missouri, made a carefully prepared welcome

vociferons and may perhaps be the great-est in point of numbers, but it lacks or-roaders, writness the temporary organiza-Each speaker approached political propositions sideways, as if propositions could kick, and they spoke in general terms. Then came the presentation of Senator Butler, who was introduced so adroitly and incomprehensity in the proposition of t and inconspicuously that he had begin his address before there was any opportunity for objecting to his selection, had objection been decounted by the selection of the Popullstic hopes—sliver and "I think Bryan will be nominated, but I otherwise before there was any opportunity for objecting to his selection, had objection been decounted by the selection of the Democratic ticket can been decounted by the selection of the Democratic ticket can been decounted by the selection of the Democratic ticket can be selection.

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In many essentials it was a strong talk, much more so than the orator's voice, and applause from a limited number followed every point made in favor of a separate every point made in favor of a separate convention," he said, "to delieve it will not to its fullest capacity.

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## MCKINLEY HEARTILY FOR BRYAN.

"Coin" Harvey, the Journal's Special Correspondent, Says the Populists Want Him, but Cannot Agree on Sewall.

To W. R. Hearst, New York Journal:

In reviewing the action of the conventions here, I have heretofore said noth ing about the silver convention. It is understood that it will indorse the action of the Chicago Convention and declare for Bryan and Sewall. It will also make a platform of principles, and probably issue an address to the people of the United States. The silver convention is composed of about sixty per cent Republicans, and the remainder is made up of Democrats and Populists. The preponderance of Republicans is noticeable in all the delegations in the silver

A better feeling is prevailing to-day among the delegates to the People's Party Convention, and there is less likelihood of a bolt than has existed at any time since they began to arrive. There has never been a difference in the convention as to the indersement of Bryan, or a union of forces to secure his election. The difference of opinion has been as to the method by which this result was to be reached.

The separate ticket faction desires to force a fusion of electors in the different States, but it has always had in view the union of these electors on Bryan in the Electoral College. Their idea of a figurehead on their ticket is that it is an assertion of party integrity. The Bryan faction in the convention wants the direct nomination or indorsement of Bryan and no chances taken by leaving It to State fusion.

But there is no question that there is a sincere desire on the part of all the delegates to see Bryan elected President. One at a distance may not understand how so much feeling could be engendered over a difference without a meaning. To appreciate it, however, he must come in contact with the sentiment here in that faction that does not want the semblance of the appearance of the Populist party being swallowed up by the Democratic party, with the additional advantage of bringing the Democrats to terms in States and Congressional districts where it may be desirable to have one or the other pull down a candidate in favor of the stronger party.

All of the reports of delegates being corrupt and purchasable by the agents of Mark Hanna, in my judgment, have no foundation and truth. A good deal of it has the appearance of having been manufactured for the purpose of frightening or intimidating the delegates known as "the middle-of-the-road" faction

To-day one of these delegates had the insinuation made to him that moneyed influence had been used on him, and he promptly knocked down the man who made the statement. Nor did he do it as the rough might do such a thing, but with honest indignation

There is no change in the situation since I telegraphed you last night as to the Vice-Presidency. The silver convention will indorse Sewall, but at the present time there is no hope that the Populist convention will do so. I talked with one of the leading delegates to-night as to what the result would be, in a practical way, on the convention nominating Bryan and a Populist. This delegate was fully aware of all the difficulties that had been urged, including the law in many States that prevents the name of electors or other candidates from going on two tickets; also, the decision of the Supreme Court of Michigan, holding such a law unconstitutional.

This delegate said to me that these difficulties would all be overcome in

In the booth a Populist would put a cross at the head of the Populist ticket, and would then put a cross at each of the names of the electors on the Democratic ticket. In this way he would be voting a straight Popullar ticket, but, at the same time, would be voting for the nineteen Democratic electors, three Populist electors, and one Prohibition elector.

The People's party ballot would have no names of electors on it, and would be blank in this respect, but next following the bir place for alacte would come the People's party State ticket. The same would be true of the Prohibition ticket.

In case of success, by the election of a majority in the Electoral College, brought about by this method, there would be, to illustrate it, say 150 Democratic electors, seventy-five Populist electors, and ten Prohibition electors. It being known that this result had been obtained, these electors throughout the United States would be expected to vote for Bryan for President and for the Populist candidate for Vice-President,

Illustrating the plan with Ohio, the speaker said they would agree probably in that State on nineteen Democratic electors, three Populist electors and one Prohibition elector, and these twenty-three names would be put on the Democratic ticket on the Australian ballot,

On the objection being urged, that the Democratic electors could not consistently vote for any one but Sewall for Vice-President, he met the objection by saying:

appointment, without the assistance of their allies, they would be expected to elect Sewall; but if they did not, then they would have to call for assistance from the Populists to elect Bryan, and in return for that assistance the Populists would require the election of a Popullst Vice-President."

On my inquiring of him how this would assist the Democrats, or give them any additional strength, as to Sewall, they did not already have, he illustrated It again with Ohio. He said: "The Democrats and Populists together can carry Ohlo, while the Demo-

crats alone cannot do so. By the fusion the Democrats would secure nineteen electors of their own who would vote for Sewall in case of the Democrats having a majority in the Electoral College, whereas, without the fusion, they would get no electors in Ohio."

He believed, and it looked reasonable, that the fusion would give an advantage to the Democrats that they have overlooked. It would tend to not only elect Bryan, but might result in the election of both Bryan and Sewall. with a strong contingent probability, however, that it would result in the election of Bryan and the Populist candidulist Vice-President."

The universal feeling here among the delegates in the People's party convention is that the money question is the all-absorbing subject of the campaign. They believe that if the back of the money power is broken, as the result of the election, other reforms will follow that will place a limitation on selfish wealth. No one here appears to have any prejudice against wealth, as of itself, but they have against what they term "selfish wealth."

They believe that greed is responsible for most of the ills from which the country is suffering, and that the demonetization of sliver was a step in the formation of a money trust. They also believe that it has resulted in producing all of the many trusts and organizations formed to resist failing prices since W. H. HARVEY.

Author of "Coins Financial School."

the Boys.

State Camp, Peckskill, July 22 .- Two ex- the stand taken by County Clerk cursion boats, bringing about 800 people Purroy in pledging the Demo ach, arrived this afternoon in time to see annexed district to Bryan and Se Pittsburg, July 22.-When the Demo- the drill of the Second Battery; the ball

Contrary to published reports, the extended revolt in Tammany Ha